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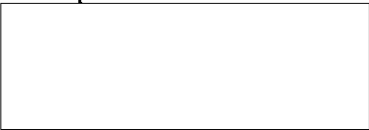
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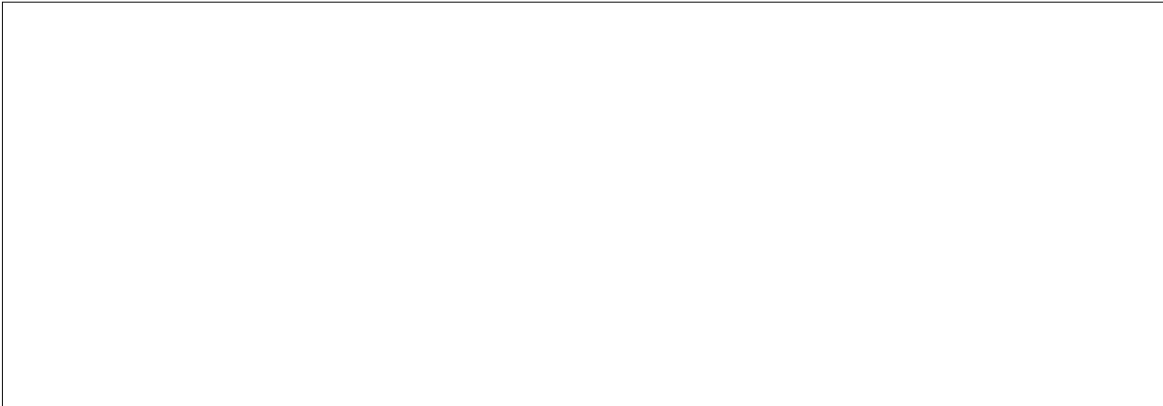
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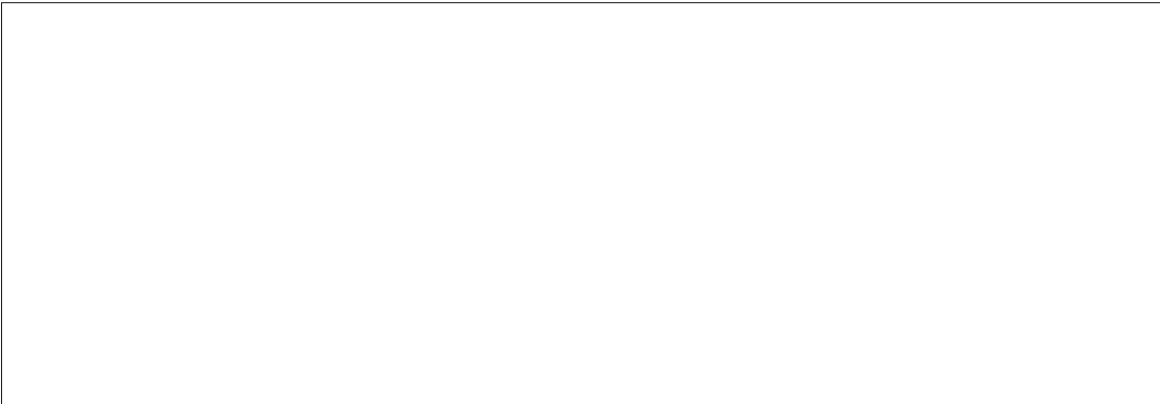
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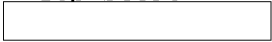
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SUDAN-ETHIOPIA-LIBYA: Tension Over Dissidents

Tension between Sudan and Ethiopia probably will intensify as a result of increased activities by Ethiopian-based Sudanese dissidents and counteraction by Khartoum.

On Tuesday, a group of Libyan-backed Sudanese dissidents attacked and occupied the town of Adok in southern Sudan. Khartoum has ordered troops to the area to regain the town. It reportedly also has decided to launch preemptive raids against dissident camps near Gambela, Ethiopia.

President Nimeiri fears additional dissident attacks in southern Sudan could provoke mass unrest there.

1/3 Comment: The situation is likely to prompt Khartoum to ask the US for more military aid. Nimeiri will be in Egypt tomorrow and probably also will ask the Egyptians for additional assistance.

Ethiopia would not be likely to respond militarily to Sudanese preemptive attacks just over the border. Raids around Gambela, however, could lead to clashes with Ethiopian forces in the vicinity or Ethiopian retaliation against Eritrean rebel camps or Sudanese bases in eastern Sudan.

If Qadhafi does visit Addis Ababa, Mengistu probably will try to persuade him to postpone further subversive efforts aimed at Sudan from Ethiopian territory until Sudanese dissidents are better organized.

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